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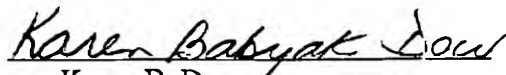
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Documents Attached

1. Form PTO/SB/21
2. Petition Under 37 CFR 1.181(a) to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment
3. Prosecution Docket Report
4. Copy of Notice of Abandonment mailed 10/19/2004
5. Transmittal Letter - Response to Notice of Missing Parts
6. Form PTO/SB17 (in duplicate)
7. Declaration
8. Power of Attorney or Authorization of Agent
9. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b)
10. Copy of Assignment (not for recordation)
11. Two sheets formal drawings
12. Copy of Notice of Missing Parts mailed September 23, 2003

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TRANSMITTAL FORM <small>(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)</small>	Application Number	10/609,135
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	First Named Inventor	Lewis, David K.
	Art Unit	Not yet assigned
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Attorney Docket No.: 18189K-013010US

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

DAVID K. LEWIS

Application No.: 10/609,135

Filed: June 27, 2003

For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR
SURFACE PASTEURIZATION OF
PRODUCE

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No.: 6736

Examiner: Not yet assigned

Technology Center/Art Unit: Not yet
assigned

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(a)
TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF
ABANDONMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attn: OIPE Customer Service

Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(a) and MPEP § 711.03 to
withdraw the holding of abandonment for the above-referenced patent application.

As evidence, the following item is submitted herewith:

Exhibit A: A copy of the docket records of attorney for applicants for the period
of November 20-26, 2003. The records indicate no activity for the above referenced patent
application during this time.

Appl. No. 10/609,135
Petition dated December 20, 2004

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REMARKS

According to a Notice of Abandonment under 37 CFR 1.53(f) OR (g), mailed on October 19, 2004 and received by attorney for applicants, this application has been deemed abandoned, because no response to the Notice To File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application mailed September 23, 2003 has been received.

Applicants submit that the holding of abandonment is in error, because Applicants' attorney never received the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed September 23, 2003. Applicants' attorney has conducted a search of the file jacket of the present application and has discovered no indication that the aforementioned Notice to File Missing Parts was ever received. Pursuant to MPEP §711.03(c)(I)(A), a copy of the docket records (Exhibit A) for this application is submitted to indicate that the Office Action was not received. If the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed September 23, 2004 had been received, an entry would have been made in the docket records to reflect the due date of November 23, 2003 for responding to the Action, specifically between the "Due Date:" entries for "021284-003200US" and "14572P-060800US".

As such, Applicants hereby respectfully request grant of the petition and withdrawal of the holding of abandonment for the above-referenced patent application.

Applicants further state that the entire delay in filing the petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b)(3), from the final due date for filing a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed September 23, 2004, to the filing of a grantable petition, including the delay from the date of discovery of the abandonment of the application, was unintentional.

Applicants note that no petition fee is required. However, the Commissioner for Patents is authorized to charge any additional fees deemed necessary or credit overpayment to the deposit account 20-1430 of the undersigned.

Finally, Applicants submit as an attachment hereto an appropriate response to the aforementioned Notice to File Missing Parts, a copy of which was faxed to attorney for Applicant on December 2, 2004.

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If a telephone conference would expedite consideration of this matter, the Examiner is invited to telephone the attorney for applicant, Kevin T. LeMond, at (415) 576-0200.

Respectfully submitted,

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Prosecution Docket Report

For: Kevin T. LeMond

Country: For US Matters

Start Date: 11/20/2003

End Date: 11/26/2003

Date Type: Both Due and Reminder Dates

Date Client/Matter (Pat/TM)	Action/Events Notes	Title/Mark Client	App - Reg No Filing - Issue Date	Country Status	Bill - Resp Party Other Attys
Due Date: 11/22/2003 00822-000200US (TM)			350493 1279283 2/16/1982 5/22/1984	US Registered	KTL - MJB BWS
Due Date: 11/22/2003 020952-000210US (Pat)			10/647066 8/22/2003	US Pending	KTL - BNY BNY
Due Date: 11/23/2003 021284-003200US (Pat)			09/151881 6065230 9/11/1998 5/23/2000	US Granted	MAS - KIC KTL
Due Date: 11/24/2003 14572P-060800US (Pat)			09/930122 8/13/2001	US Pending - Published	KTL - KTL
Due Date: 11/24/2003 14572P-060800US (Pat)			09/930122 8/13/2001	US Pending - Published	KTL - KTL
Due Date: 11/26/2003 015453-002210US (Pat)			09/799922 3/5/2001	US Pending	MAS - KTL KTL
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Due Date: 11/26/2003 020824-005500US (Pat)			29/185379 6/26/2003	US Pending	KTL - PRJ PRJ
Due Date: 11/26/2003 14572P-002840US (Pat)			08/998961 12/29/1997	US Pending	KTL - KTL



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10/609,135	06/27/2003	David K. Lewis	18189K-013010US

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LETTER

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Date Mailed: 10/19/2004

NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.53 (f) OR (g)

The above-identified application is abandoned for failure to timely or properly reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed on 09/23/2003.

- No reply was received.

A petition to the Commissioner under 37 CFR 1.137 may be filed requesting that the application be revived.

Under 37 CFR 1.137(a), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of **UNAVOIDABLE DELAY** must be filed promptly after the applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by: (1) an adequate showing of the cause of unavoidable delay; (2) the required reply to the above-identified Notice; (3) the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(l); and (4) a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(d).

Under 37 CFR 1.137(b), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of **UNINTENTIONAL DELAY** must be filed promptly after applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by: (1) a statement that the entire delay was unintentional; (2) the required reply to the above-identified Notice; (3) the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); and (4) a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(d).

Any questions concerning petitions to revive should be directed to the "Office of Petitions" at (703) 305-9282. Petitions should be mailed to: Mail Stop Petitions, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

Notice of Abandonment

This application is abandoned in view of applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office notice mailed on 09-23-03.

Petition to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment

If a complete reply to the notice was previously filed by applicant within the time period set forth in the notice, applicant may request for reconsideration of the holding of abandonment within 2 months from the mailing of this notice of abandonment by filing a petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181(a). No petition fee is required. The petition must be accompanied by a true copy of the originally filed reply and the item(s) identified in one of the following:

1. A properly itemized date-stamped postcard receipt (see MPEP § 503);
2. If the originally filed reply included a certificate of mailing or transmission in compliance with 37 CFR 1.8(a), a copy of the certificate of mailing or transmission and a statement in compliance with 37 CFR 1.8(b) (see MPEP § 512); or
3. If the reply was filed via Express Mail, a submission satisfying the requirements of 37 CFR 1.10(e) including, for example, a copy of the Express Mail mailing label showing the "date-in" (see MPEP § 513)

Any petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment should be transmitted by facsimile directly to OIPE Customer Service at (703) 308-7751.

Petition to Revive an Abandoned Application

If applicant did not previously file a complete reply within the time period set forth in the notice, applicant may file a petition to revive the application under 37 CFR 1.137.

Under 37 CFR 1.137(a), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of UNAVOIDABLE DELAY must be filed promptly after the applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by:

1. an adequate showing of the cause of unavoidable delay;
2. the required reply to the above-identified notice;
3. the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i); and
4. a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(d).

See MPEP § 711.03(c) and Form PTO/SB/61.

Under 37 CFR 1.137(b), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of UNINTENTIONAL DELAY must be filed promptly after applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by:

1. a statement that the entire delay was unintentional;
2. the required reply to the above-identified notice;
3. the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); and
4. a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(d).

~~See MPEP § 711.03(c) and Form PTO/SB/64.~~

Any questions concerning petitions to revive should be directed to Office of Petitions at (703) 303-9282.

Any questions regarding this notice should be directed to OIPE Customer Service at (703) 308-1202.

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